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MORE RELIEF NEEDED.

Vivid Account of the Work Being New York, Feb. 25.- The following cable dispatch from Dr. Grace Kimball, Ameri

can missionary at Van, has been received a the office of the Christian Herald 'Van, Turkey, Feb. 24. The need for re lief is steadily increasing. We are now helping 16,000 destitute persons here. With the Christian Herald fund we have sent a begin work there, and \$500 has also been

"These districts embrace some fifty scanty winter provision of most families in both cities and villages is exhausted, o soon will be, and they have no possible arce save through the relief work. This alone prevents a famine.

There are now six Christian Berald bakeries running. We have 100 employes in the industrial bureau. Relief must con tinue at least two mouths longer

"KIMBALL." In a letter from Van, just received, dated

January 22, Dr. Kimball writes: "As soon as we had the assurance of the first \$10,000 from the Christian Herald we pushed forward the relief work with new vigor and more commensurately to the present needs of the people. This infound a very admirably adapted house of three stories with large halls that will hold several hundred people and give convenient office rooms for the various departments— all for the magnificent sum of \$6.60 a month

"Applicants for help are required to bring a letter of recommendation from the 'district men' of the quarter in which they live or from the village refugee com-

"The demand for work does not abate. and we are adding daily to the thousand workers in the industrial bureau at the rate of from ten to twenty persons. Last week's pay roll shows 1.210 persons paid in total. \$445. The cost of the raw ma-terial is slightly less than the wages, so that with rent and other expenses, we may put be cost of the industrial bureau at \$900 a This work furnishes a living to considerably more than 5,000 people."

Attacked by a Mad Dog. West Chester, Pa., Feb. 25.-Mrs. Edward King, the wife of a well-know farmer of East Pallowfield, Township, was attacked by a mad dog near her bo and made an exceedingly narrow escape The brute tore her clothing from her body. flesh. He then passed through the bord of Coatesville and out into West Cain Town ship, but was finally run down by a number

of farmers at Sandy Hill and killed. The year's supply of best butter donated to Hebrew Fair by Gibbons, butter dealer, was awarded to Mrs. H. Bernheimer, 714

August H. Wieneke's Harrowing Are a Positive Revelation in Medicine. Experience While Drinking.

ALMOST SWALLOWED 100

At the Bottom of a Mixture of the Usual Mud and Water He Was Drinking Was a Soulrming, Writhing Ball of Little Hair-Like Rep tiles-Scared by His Narrow Escape.

If the Potomac water drinkers should feel a wriggling and tickling in their throats and continuing into their stomachs they may be sure that they have had snakes or worms, but not of the jim-jams variety, in the cooling draught they have just swal-

A hair in the mouth is not to be com pared with these infinitesimally small wrigglers, some of which can only be seen through a microscope, yet are sufficiently large to make themselves felt in an annoying and nauseating manner.

A bottle containing a ball made of these wriggling "sarpents" has been brought to The Times office by Mr. August H. Wieneke of No. 1502 Turner street northeast. He had fished them from a pitcher of half-clay half-water just drawn from the hydrant in his yard.

After drinking some of the mixture Mr. Wieneke noticed in the bottom of the pitcher something of a foreign nature.

HE SAW MANY WRIGGLES. He peered more intently and could have sworn he saw something wriggle. He moved his position and shifted his position to catch a better light. Then he saw many wriggles. Owing to the mud he could not distin-guish just what was kicking up so much sediment, but there was no doubt in his ind that the water was really alive. He then secured a strainer and poured out the water. He was astounded.

"Aqua pura" may contain certain animalculae that are good for the digestive organs, but never such wriggling snakes as those he saw, any one of which could seize with tenacious hold upon the lining of the stomach and there remain devouring in parasitical manner the food intended to ourish and strengthen the body.

Mr. Wieneke was terror stricken, and, be-lieving he had swallowed a number of thought of worm tablets, worm medicine, surgical appliances and everything under the sun calculated to stop the wrig-gling which he was sure he felt going on

He was positive that the mucous mem brane of his interior was being subjected to a process hitherto unknown to nature. It was worse than the St. Vitus dance, this continual liching, tickling, twisting, and equirming on the inside.

He went to the drug store and fortified himself with more than the customary ounce of prevention, and then submitted some of the snakes, as he called them, to the pharmacist, to be placed in pure, clear distilled water, where he could see them without trouble. It was this bottle be brought to The Times office.

SNAKES IN LITTLE BALLS. The reptiles, instead of separating in the water, began to gather together in little balls, which when they were tightly rolled up would measure fully half an inch in

They are parasites, living on each other and propagating from the same source.
They are about the color of the muddy
water, and numbered over a hundred in the
little two-ounce vial. To see perpetual
motion one had only to look inside the

HOW THEY LOOKED.

They seemed never to tire of writhing nd squirming over each other-now rolling nto a ball of twenty-five or thirty, now breaking away and wriggling about fever-ishly, now grappling with a neighbor and being parted by a third member of the

order of worms."

They presented an animated appearance. There was nothing sluggish in their nature. It was lively, indeed; but to look at them and think of the amount of Potomac water animated by such objects or smaller ones, which many, perhaps, had that day taken into their systems, would make the spinal vertebrae miver with cold chills.

Speaking of the wrigglers. Mr. Wienek said. "I and my family of wife and seven children have suffered greatly from continual fevers, which the doctor pronounced ma aria. All efforts to cure it with malarial cure failed, however. I am satisfied it has seen caused by drinking the water full of these snakes.'

BRAINED HIS WIFE WITH POKER Brutal Murder by a Jealous Husband

in the Coal Region. Wilkesbarre, Pa., Feb. 25.-Michael Ko inski was lodged in the county fail here yesterday afternoon on the charge of killing his wife, whom he brained with a poker. The Kolinskis kept a boarding-house at Duryea, and several Polanders lived with Kolinski has been jealous of his wife, and they had frequent quarrels.

Sunday evening, so the story goes, Kolinski accused his wife of unfaithfu She remonstrated with him, and told him that because of the trouble he was constantly making she could live with him no

Angered beyond reason. Kolinski rushe over to the stove and grabbed the poker then he ran back to his wife and br down the poker on her head with all the force he could muster. A second and a third time he rained blows on his wife's head, and she sank to the floor bleeding and unconscious. Her skull was fractured She lingered until noon yesterday, when she died. Kolinski fled but was captured by Constable Evans and taken to the lockup The room wherein the brutal assault was mmitted gave evidence that the woman had struggled for her life. Blood was spattered over the room, and the poker was covered with hair and blood.

MARY'S LITTLE PISTOL

Plucky Pennsylvania Girl Frightened Her Assallant Off.

Norristown, Pa., Feb. 25 .- The nu outrages upon women and girls in this town has caused many of them to carry pistols. Miss Mary Jacobs is one of these, and she is a lucky girl in consequence. Several nights ago Miss Jacobs, who is a daughter of Allan Jacobs, was returning to he home about 9 o'clock, when she noticed a

man following tier.

When she reached her home and was as cending the steps, the rascal grasped her by the shoulders. She turned and from her coat pocket drew a revolver, the muzzle of which she thrust into her assailant's face. The scoundrel nearly droppe faint, but he recovered and hastily fled.

London, Feb. 25.-The Westminster Gazette says that a dummy copy of the British case in the Venezucian dispute, prepared by Bir Frederick Pollock, professor of juris prudence at Oxford University, will be laid upon the table of the House of Commons today, but that the documents will not be tasued until next week, as its revision will occupy some days. The Gazette says that Sir Frederick Pollock's manuscript does not attach any importance to the retention of the Schemburgk line.

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CURIOUS THINGS TO BE SEEN

Interesting Collection of Relics in Postoffice Department Museum.

Old Bullet-Riddled Stage Coach, a Gruesome Skull and Other Strange Articles.

The Postoffice Department Museum is open and ready to receive visitors. It has been greatly benefited by its several trips from this city. It went to Chicago as a World's Fair exhibit, and has just returned from Atlanta, where it formed a part of the exposition. The exhibit is unique and interesting, to say nothing of its educa-taional features.

The first object to be seen on entering

almost covered from view by the numerous tags attached to it. This bucket has been around the world alone. An examibeen around the world alone. An exami-nation of the tags shows it started on its journey in the mail at Atlanta, and passed rapidly through Charlotte, N. C., Washing-ton, St. Louis, Cincinnati, Chicago, To-ronto, Canada, New York, Liverpool, to New York, to Atlanta. One amusing sen-tional from some approach. timent from some annoyed Britisher was appended. It read, "It is hoped that the man who sent this bucket on its travels has

In this museum are postoffice collections from all over the world. The service of Russia is shown by several wax figures of the carriers, with their satchels, swords and mail pouches. India is portrayed by its camel post and coolies, and also the town postman in his suit of white linen. There are exhibits from Japan, Mexico, Sweden and Norway, Germany, France and England.

Contrasts in the service are shown by models of the first American steamer that carried the mails and the present City of Paris, the model of which cost over \$7,000. and is a donation to the exhibit. There is a Western mail carrier or pony express and a pretty exhibit of a Canadian Indian driving a relay of three dogs to a sledge, on which is one of Uncle Sam's mail pouches. Another contrast is seen in two mail trains, illustrating the first and the present style. A gruesome sight is a mail pouch which was captured by the Apache Indians in Arizona and cut open. The carrier was murdered and large dark blotches show where his blood spurted.

There is one case which is particularly interesting because of its unending variety. It contains some of the objects sent through the mails and held up, either for lack of postage or because of violation of the regu-lations. A skull adorns the cabinet. It was sent to a medical man with \$3.19 postage due. He declined to pay the sum. A live centipede was wrapped in a newspaper and mailed. It was discovered and confiscated, as was also a dynamite bomb fully two feet long. A pig's tail and Indian wampum belt, a set of false teeth, an Indian scalp, a fruit cake and rattlesnake with nine rattles, a baseball mask and the hats and anklets of Spotted Wolf, a noted Indian chief, comprise part of the exhibit

collectors. The commercial value of the rare stamps will aggregate many thousand dollars, and their face values will be double

Mr. S. I. Black is the curator of the exhibit. He is particularly interested in an old tumble-down mail coach, bullet-riddled and arrow-scarred. This coach is in the areaway outside, but in view from the window of the exhibit room. Mr. Slack is desirous of having a waterproof covering or conopy to shelter this coach from the

It has done service in Montana, and carried in its day Gen. Sherman and Presidents Garfield and Arthur. More than once has captured by Uncle Sam's boys.

PACIFIC LAND FORFEITS.

Government Orders Suits Against the Big Corporation.

Omaha, Neb., Feb. 25.- The govern has ordered suits for land grant for feiture against the Union Pacific Railway Assistant United States Attorney Bush has returned from St. Louis where he secourt of appeals to make the receivers of the grant forfelture suits. He has filed in the United States circuit court petitions in equity in two cases, wherein the United States is plaintiff, and the Union Pacific et al., defendant, in one case, and the Union Pacific and the Sloux City and Pacific Companies defendants, in the other.

The subpoenas in the case will be given to he marshal at once and the work of servng them begin. It is doubted very mu whether they can all be served in the time required by law and in that event the cass will go over to the next term of court. Outside of the two railroads-Union Pa cific and Sloux City and Pacific-set out

in the title of the petition, the defendants will not be much affected by the suit if they can show they have a bona fide title to the land in their possession.

A third case, in which the Burlington road will be defendant, will be filed b March 3.

MORE CUBAN SYMPATHY.

Crowded and Enthusiastic Mass Meeting in New York New York, Feb. 25 .- Chickering Hall was

crowded last night with enthusiastic sympathizers of the Cuban rebellion. The speakers were mainly Cubans, and they pleaded for recognition as beiligerents at the bands of the United States, as the present movement was initiated just one earago today. The speakers were greeted

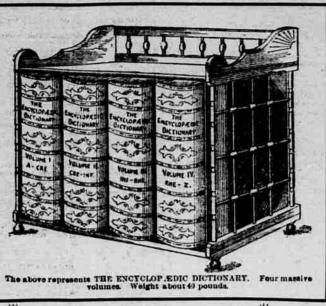
with great cheering.

Charged With Murder. Ashland, Pa., Feb. 25.—Thomas Fallon of Byrnesville, who was stabbed in the side lied at his home near here yesterday. The knife had penetrated to the depth of two inches, severing one of the main arteries, from which blood poisoning set in on Sat-urday. Wilson escaped after the affray and has been in hiding. Last evening, however fiths at Centralia and surrendered. He taken to the Columbia county jail, charged

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Closing Chapter in New York. New York, Feb. 25.-When Baron von conhardi, the Austro-Hungarian consu in this city, reached his office yesterday he found a long cable dispatch from is chief, Count Rudolph Welserscheimb, chief of the first section of the Austro Hungarian foreign office in Vienna, saying: "On board the Netherlands steamer Spaarndam, which left Rotterdam on February 19, and which is due in New York on March 1 or 2, is Solomon Fingernut of Breslan, twents years old, a piano artist, accompanied by Louisa Bloch, sev

enteen years old, daughter of the former member of the Reichsrath, Dr. Bloch. The latter has fled from her parents' residence with the former. "Dr. Bloch asks that upon their arrival they be influenced in a mediatorial man ner to the end that steps be taken toward matrimony. Should this be possible, according to American laws, desires that all necessary aid should be given to unite them in wedlock. He

vishes them to be informed that their immediate marriage is the only condition upon which any negotiations can be conducted with the parents of either. It is also asked that the consul-general assist the young people according to their need. As this requisition was recommended by a party deserving the utmost consideration. I request you to take care of this matter in the manner suggested, and to re-port briefly by cable. "WELSERSCHEIMB."

When the couple arrive they will be nined at Ellis Island. Thenthe Austro-Hun garian consulate general will make a des-perate effort to influence them to get mar-

Tills elopement with when it becomes known, create a profound sensation in Vi-enna. The conditions are almost the same elopement here. Dr. Joseph Samuel Bloch is a famour

Hebrew theologian, the publisher of the Austrian Weekly, an ex-member of the Austrian Reichsrath, a millionaire, and the friend and correspondent, of the leading rabbis of every country in the world. Young Mr. Fingerhut of Breslau was his daughter's

Stuck by His Leader.

London, Feb. 25.—In its issue today he Standard confirms Major Collins' the Standard confirms Major Collins' statement that Capt. Heavy has decided costick by his leader. Capt. Heavy former-ly held a commission in the Rhodesian-horse. He accompanied Dr. Jameson's

"Paris-Modern and Historic"

Miss Richards gives her new lecture at the Universalist Church tonight on "Paris; fodern and Historic," which deals not only Modern and Historic," which deals not only with the beauties and splendora of the modern capital of the Freuch nation, but like wise tells the story of the vanished glories, when gay nobless and stately kings and queens figured on the stage of angient France, illustrated with many striking portraits of pompous royal personages, attired in the gorgeous costomes of kingly times. AS THE CROWDS COME OUT.

"For Fair Virginia" is one of the latest and decidedly one of the best contribution to the American stage in the way of a drama ased upon the great struggle between the

Russ Whytal has given our native play-wrights a "pointer" as to the inexhaustible material for dramatic construction fur-nished by that historic epoch, and he has, furthermore, shown them that it is not necessary to bring upon the scene car-splitting guns, bad-smelling smoke, and all the other melodramatic accessories to make

such a play effective.

"For Fair Virginia" is built upon natural lines. The conflicting emotions of conjugal affection and loyally to native land are strongly, masterfully brought out, and around this central point are most cleverly grouped the romance and the various dra matic and humorous incidents of the plot.

Mr. Whytal impersonates the central male figure of the play, which, in this instance. s the villain, though even he is toucd down n that the motive for his excess of meannes s his love for the woman who has preferre another to him. With his portrayal but on fault can be found, and that is his passing at times, the line which divides vigor of expression from rant. Otherwise his Col. Laughlin is the unsympathetic character which he intended it should be.

mond, the loving wife, yet devoted Souther voman, who resents her husband's espowoman, who resents her misoand; a spouse of the Union cause. Miss Mabel Knowles as Nell Esmond, her sister-in-iaw, loyal like her brother, but loving a "Johnny Reb," is simply delightful, while Mr. Charles S. Abbe, as Col. Dunbar, is as manly, attractive and "true blue" as any woman could wish for. Miss Lottie Briscoe played the part of Julian, Mrs. Exmond's child, ad-mirably, and Mr. John Woodward as Uncle Zeb is one of the best Southern plantatio 'miggers' ever seen on the stage.

The scenery is beautiful account.

The scenery is beautiful, no prettier stage picture being imaginable than the landscape among the Virginia bills in the first act.

Mr. and Mrs. Whytal introduced themselves to the large audience in a pretty little curtain-raiser, "Agatha Dene," which demon-strated their talent for lighter roles.

"Little Christopher" at Allen's Gran Opera House last night demonstrated its staying qualities as a popular favorite. This bright, effective burlesque won golden This bright, effective outlesque won goner opinions last year on its first presentation here. Mr. Alien's good judgment in the matter is indicated by the attendance and the plaudits of last night.

Miss Theresa Vaughn again takes the part
of Little Christopher, Mr. Collier is O'Hooligan, Mr. McDonough the "Second Mrs.

The Grand Vizier of Barataria is well presented by Mr. Henry Leoni. His tenor gives a promise of high merit. The Bey, by Mr. Clark: Pepita, by Miss Pauline Train, and Guinevere, by Miss Yolande Wallace, fill their places admirably. Mr. John Wilson makes a hit in the double role of Capt.

son makes a hit in the double role of Capt. Slammer and Weary Waggles.

The entire operetta is well staged and the fun is unbroken from beginning to end. The songs are lightly remembered on the streets and catch a place in the heart in a way that brings the hearer back again. An evening with "Little Christopher" is one of delight in color, music and interesting situations.

Judging from the splendid audience at the New National Theater last evening that rather bacchanalian play, "A Trip to Chinatowa," has lost none of its popu-

of several seasons. At only one juncture in the play did it threaten to lose the zest of its racy wit, andthat is in the singing of "On the Bowery" by Welland Strong, but Harry Conor, who ulayed that role, succeeded in investing even that worn-out song with a new humor and was called back to give all the verses

which one would suppose the public had long ago grown utterly weary of. The uproarious farce is carried through with a vim from start to finish and the audience seemed to enjoy itself over the essentially American humor tremendously.

Mr. George Richard's Ben Gay was very good and his part of doing nothing to speak of through a long act kept people in nysterical giggles whenever they could di-cert their mind to his pitiful conducen. Miss Geraldine McCann started the part f the widow off with a decidedly delicate

legenerate somewhat before the end of the Fannie Miaco gives two unique and dainty dances in the Cliff House scene. It is safe to say the "Trip to Chinatown" will have hosts of friends this year as usual, for it has a flavor about it that doesn't seem to lose quality with age.

People seem to never tire of seeing and hearing Primrose & West's Minstreis. This was evidenced by the crowd which packed he Academy last evening from gallery

Many new features have been added sinc they were last seen in this city in the way of songs and dances and an occasional joke which convulsed the audience with

laughter.

The company is about evenly divided between white and genuinely colored artists, and of the latter Mat Johnson is the central

figure. W. H. West, George H. Primrose and James Wall are the end men. These artists are too well knownn to need praise. George Wilson and Andy McLeod, with their funny sayings and comic songs, never fail to amuse. They were repeatedly recalled, and when Wilson responded with "I Want You, My Honey," that just capped the cimax.

The cake walk was one of the new attractions, and will occur each evening.

The competitors for the cake were made up of many local couples, as well as members of the company. The prize is open to all comers who may desire to enter. Couple No. 11 last might took first honors and were presented with a gold watch for the male and a diamond ring for his partner in the walk. A second prize was also awarded to couple No. 8.

The last number is the drilling of the "Vanishing Grenadiers." headed by the

"Vanishing Grenadiers," headed by the only W. H. West. Their costumes are grand, and at the conclusion of their marches they suddenly vanished from sight and the spectators are left to wonder how. The ministrels will remain at the Academy during the week. during the week.

Helene Mora and an excellent aggrega-tion of variety artists form the brilliant at-fraction Manager Kernan has prepared for his patrons this week. They travel under the title of Hyde's Comedians, and the reception given them last night by an andience that filled every scat in the theater was in-dicative of the success of the week. The biggest laminary on the bill was, of

course. Miss Mora, whose elever bariton

voice is familiar to almost every theatergoer in Washington. She repeated the old, fa-miliar songs she has so long sung successfully.

The Dalys, Lizzie and Annie, made their debut in this city in a clever dancing sketch, introducing the Indian maiden's reel. George E. Austin opened the whole performance with a comedy act on the lack wire.

The Midgleys, as the juvenile character

ino, were very funny and won the hearts of a large section of the audience. Thorn and Carlton repeated the "Country Politi-cian" with success.

W. D. Wilmot and W. H. Barber, who

constitute the Wilmot Duo, are among the best trick bleycle riders in the country, and form a heavy feature of the program. Harris and Walters are interesting in "The Lamppost Inspector."

The whole closes with a councily of more than usual posts activish the Arriving Particle Part

semblance." Emma and Johnnie Ray, J. Thorne, Fannie Midgley, and Sager Midgley all appear to good advantage in the skeich.

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